Seed Crop Insurance

1038. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plan to educate the farmers to buy seeds only from Government retail stores;

(b) if so, whether Government would consider insuring the crop if the seeds have been brought from Government retail stores;

(c) whether in case of failure of yield, the compensation would be granted to farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) No, Sir. Farmers are free to buy seeds from any source.

(b) to (d) Food crops, oilseeds and annual commercial horticultural crops are covered under the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme for losses due to non-preventable natural calamities irrespective of the source of the seeds used by the farmers. The Pilot Scheme on Seed Crop Insurance covers losses arising due to natural non-preventable risks at field stage and seed certification stage.

Animal husbandry, poultry and fisheries schemes in Gujarat

1039. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes being implemented by Government for animal husbandry, poultry and fisheries for the last three years;

(b) the details of the amount allocated for their implementation during the same period in Gujarat;

(c) whether any subsidy is also provided by Government for these schemes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?